

COMPSCI330 Design and Analysis of Algorithms

Assignment 0: Solutions

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1 Induction

1. **Induction Hypothesis** Let $P(n) : \sum_{i=0}^k 2^i = 2^{k+1} - 1$ be true for all natural numbers $k \leq n \in \mathbb{N}$

We wish to prove $P(n+1)$ holds true,

Base Case $P(1) : \sum_{i=0}^1 2^i = 1 + 2 = 3 = 4 - 1 = 2^{1+1} - 1$ holds true.

Induction Step

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{i=0}^{k+1} 2^i &= 2^{k+1} + \sum_{i=0}^k 2^i \\ &= 2^{k+1} + 2^{k+1} - 1 && \text{(from the Induction Hypothesis)} \\ &= 2^{k+2} - 1 \end{aligned}$$

Thus, we show that $P(n+1)$ holds whenever $P(n)$ holds. Thus, by the principle of Mathematical Induction, $P(n)$ holds for all natural numbers n .

2. **Induction Hypothesis** Let $P(n) : \sum_{i=1}^k i^2 = \frac{k(k+1)(2k+1)}{6}$ be true for all natural numbers $k \leq n \in \mathbb{N}$

We wish to prove $P(n+1)$ holds true,

Base Case $P(1) : \sum_{i=1}^1 i^2 = 1 = \frac{1(1+1)(2+1)}{6}$ holds true.

Induction Step

$$\begin{aligned}\sum_{i=0}^{k+1} i^2 &= (k+1)^2 + \sum_{i=0}^k i^2 \\ &= (k+1)^2 + \frac{k(k+1)(2k+1)}{6} && \text{(from the Induction Hypothesis)} \\ &= \frac{(k+1)(6k+6+k(2k+1))}{6} \\ &= \frac{(k+1)(2k^2+7k+6)}{6} \\ &= \frac{(k+1)(2k^2+4k+3k+6)}{6} \\ &= \frac{(k+1)(2k(k+2)+3(k+2))}{6} && \text{(factorising)} \\ &= \frac{(k+1)(k+2)(2k+3)}{6} \\ &= \frac{(k+1)(k+2)(2(k+1)+1)}{6} && \text{(answer)}\end{aligned}$$

Thus, we show that $P(n+1)$ holds whenever $P(n)$ holds. Thus, by the principle of Mathematical Induction, $P(n)$ holds for all natural numbers n .

2 Euclid's Algorithm

(a) For any integer x , x divides 0 , because $x \times 0 = 0$, therefore, a is a factor of 0 (written as $a|0$) and since, the greatest factor of a is a , therefore, $GCD(a, 0)$ is a .

(b) If, $a \leq b \Rightarrow GCD(b, a \% b) = GCD(b, a) = GCD(a, b)$,

Else if $a > b$, then let $a \% b = a - kb$, where k is the quotient when a is divided by b .

Let c be a common divisor of a and $b \Rightarrow c|a, c|b \Rightarrow (a \% b)/c = a/c - k \times (b/c)$ is an integer because each term is an integer. $\Rightarrow c|(a \% b)$

Also, if c is a common divisor for b and $a \% b \Rightarrow c|b, c|(a \% b) \Rightarrow \frac{a}{c} = k \times \frac{b}{c} + \frac{(a \% b)}{c}$ is an integer, because all terms in the expansion are integers

$\Rightarrow c|a$

Thus, all common divisors of (a, b) and $(b, a \% b)$ are identical $\Rightarrow GCD(a, b) = GCD(a \% b, b)$

(c) **Case I:** If $a < 2b$, then $(b + a \% b) \leq (a + b) - b \leq \frac{2}{3}(a + b)$

Case II: If $a \geq 2b$, then $(b + a \% b) \leq 2b \leq \frac{2}{3}(a + b)$

Thus, the value of $(a + b)$ reduces by a factor of at least $\frac{2}{3}$ in each step. $T(a+b)$: Running time of the algorithm when the input is (a, b)

Induction Hypothesis $P(N)$: $T(a + b) \leq \log_{\frac{3}{2}}(a + b) + k$, for some large k , to satisfy the base case.

is true for all $a + b \leq N$

Induction Step

$$\begin{aligned}T(a + b + 1) &= 1 + T\left(\frac{2}{3}(a + b + 1)\right) \\&\leq 1 + \log_{\frac{3}{2}}\left(\frac{2}{3}(a + b + 1)\right) + k && \text{(From the Induction Hypothesis)} \\&= 1 + \log_{\frac{3}{2}}(a + b + 1) + \log_{\frac{3}{2}}\left(\frac{2}{3}\right) + k && (\log(ab) = \log(a) + \log(b)) \\&= 1 + \log_{\frac{3}{2}}(a + b + 1) - 1 + k && (\text{since } \log_{\frac{3}{2}}\left(\frac{2}{3}\right) = -1) \\&= \log_{\frac{3}{2}}(a + b + 1) + k\end{aligned}$$

Hence, by the principle of Mathematical Induction, $P(a+b)$ holds true for all naturals a, b .
Thus, $T(a+b) = \theta(\log(a + b))$